

Community service order for duo convicted of assaulting FEHD officer and obstructing public officer in execution of duty

A man and a woman were each sentenced to 60 hours' community service by the Eastern Magistrates' Court today (April 18) for assaulting a Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) officer and obstructing a public officer in execution of duty respectively.

In addition, the woman defendant was also fined \$3,300 for depositing litter in a public place and \$1,000 for failure to provide proof of identity without reasonable excuse.

The court heard that the incident took place on November 1 last year in which the woman refused to co-operate when the FEHD officer tried to issue a fixed penalty notice to her for depositing litter in a public place at Shau Kei Wan Main Street East, Eastern District, while the man accompanying her assaulted the officer.

"To use force against law enforcement officers is inappropriate and also carries legal consequences. Members of the public should co-operate with public officers in execution of their duties," an FEHD spokesman said.